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SUBJECT: US KRAFT LINER EXPORTS TO EUROPEAN MARKETS.

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1. THE DEPARTMENT IS AWARE OF THE DIFFICULTIES IN THE
EUROPEAN MARKET FOR KRAFT LINER AND WE ARE CLOSELY FOLLOWING
AN ANTI-DUMPING INVESTIAGATION THAT IS PRESENTLY BEING CON-
DUCTED BY THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY.FOR THE POST'S INFORMATION,
THE COMPLAINT WAS BROUGHT IN NOVEMBER BY A FRENCH PRODUCER,
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CELLULOSE DU PIN, AGAINST 29 AMERICAN PRODUCERS OF KRAFT
LINER. THE AMERICAN COMPANIES HAVE VIGOROUSLY MAINTAINED
THAT THEY ARE NOT NOW DUMPING AND HAVE MERELY FOLLOWED THE
PRICE LEADERSHIP OF EUROPEAN PRODUCERS. THE AMERICAN PRO-
DUCERS THEREFORE URGED THE EC TO BROADEN ITS INVESTIGATION
AND, ON FEBRUARY 27, THE EC ANTI-DUMPING COMMITTEE MOVED TO
INCLUDE SWEDEN, FINLAND, AUSTRIA, CANADA AND PORTUGAL IN ITS

INVESTIGATION.

2. THE EMBASSY SHOULD INFORM THE GOP THAT THE SUBSTANCE OF THEIR MEMORANDUM HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT. WE ARE AWARE OF THE DIFFICULT SITUATION IN THE EUROPEAN MARKET FOR KRAFT LINER AND ARE CLOSELY FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENTS IN THE EC ANTI-DUMPING INVESTIGATION.

3. IN RESPONDING TO THE PORTUGUESE MEMORANDUM, THE EMBASSY SHOULD NOT RPT NOT COMMENT ON THE SUBSTANTIVE MERITS OF THE PORTUGUESE ALLEGATIONS. CHRISTOPHER

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